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<p>1. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 95.5%. These data represent progress from the FFY 2007 data of 90%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that 14 of 15 findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2007 were corrected in a timely manner and that the one remaining finding was subsequently corrected by January 2009.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing in the FFY 2009 APR, due February 1, 2011, the State's data demonstrating that it is in compliance with the timely service provision requirements in 34 CFR §§303.340(c), 303.342(e), and 303.344(f)(1). Because the State reported less than 100% compliance for FFY 2008, the State must report on the status of correction of noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator.</p> <p>When reporting the correction of noncompliance, the State must report, in its FFY 2009 APR, that it has verified that each EIS program with noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator: (1) is correctly implementing 34 CFR §§303.340(c), 303.342(e) and 303.344(f)(1) (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has initiated services, although late, for any child whose services were not initiated in a timely manner, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program, consistent with OSEP Memorandum 09-02, dated October 17, 2008 (OSEP Memo 09-02). In the FFY 2009 APR, the State must describe the specific actions that were taken to verify the correction.</p> <p>If the State does not report 100% compliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the</p>

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		State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if necessary.						
<p>2. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings.</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the indicator and measurement language (consistent with revisions in the Indicator Measurement Table) and improvement activities for this indicator, and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 98.4%. The State's data reflect a high level of performance for this indicator. The State met its FFY 2008 target of 95%.</p>	<p>The State's actual target data for provision of services to infants and toddlers in natural environments are at or greater than 95%. There is no expectation that an increase in that percentage is necessary. OSEP appreciates the State's efforts to improve performance and assumes that the State is monitoring to ensure that IFSP teams are making service setting decisions on an individualized basis and in compliance with 34 CFR §§303.12, 303.18, and 303.344(d)(1)(ii).</p>						
<p>3. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who demonstrate improved:</p> <p>A. Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationship);</p> <p>B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/communication); and</p> <p>C. Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs.</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the measurement language (consistent with revisions in the Indicator Measurement Table) and improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State provided FFY 2008 baseline data, targets, and improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts the State's submission for this indicator.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported baseline data for this indicator are:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="548 1011 1444 1278"> <tr> <td data-bbox="548 1011 919 1143">08-09 Infant and Toddler Outcome Baseline Data</td><td data-bbox="919 1011 1192 1143"><u>Summary Statement 1</u>¹</td><td data-bbox="1192 1011 1444 1143"><u>Summary Statement 2</u>²</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="548 1143 919 1278">Outcome A: Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships) (%)</td><td data-bbox="919 1143 1192 1278">96.7</td><td data-bbox="1192 1143 1444 1278">97.9</td></tr> </table>	08-09 Infant and Toddler Outcome Baseline Data	<u>Summary Statement 1</u> ¹	<u>Summary Statement 2</u> ²	Outcome A: Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships) (%)	96.7	97.9	<p>The State must report progress data and actual target data for FFY 2009 with the FFY 2009 APR.</p>
08-09 Infant and Toddler Outcome Baseline Data	<u>Summary Statement 1</u> ¹	<u>Summary Statement 2</u> ²						
Outcome A: Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships) (%)	96.7	97.9						

¹ Summary Statement 1: Of those infants and toddlers who entered or exited early intervention below age expectations in each Outcome, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they turned three years of age or exited the program.

² Summary Statement 2: The percentage of infants and toddlers who were functioning within age expectations in each Outcome by the time they turned three years of age or exited the program.

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	Outcome B: Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/communication) (%)	93.8	87.0																							
	Outcome C: Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs (%)	96.0	92.9																							
	The State serves infants and toddlers at risk of having substantial developmental delays. The State reported separately in its FFY 2008 APR on aggregate progress data for all of the infants and toddlers it serves under Part C (including developmentally delayed children, children with diagnosed conditions, and at-risk infants and toddlers).																									
4. Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family: A. Know their rights; B. Effectively communicate their children’s needs; and C. Help their children develop and learn. [Results Indicator]	The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions. The State’s reported data for this indicator are: <table><tr><td></td><td>FFY 2007 Data</td><td>FFY 2008 Data</td><td>FFY 2008 Target</td><td>Progress</td></tr><tr><td>A. Know their rights (%)</td><td>77.6</td><td>78.6</td><td>71</td><td>1.00%</td></tr><tr><td>B. Effectively communicate their children’s needs (%)</td><td>74.6</td><td>75.1</td><td>71</td><td>0.50%</td></tr><tr><td>C. Help their children develop and learn. (%)</td><td>85.6</td><td>86.3</td><td>86</td><td>0.70%</td></tr></table> These data represent progress from the FFY 2007 data. The State met all of its FFY 2008 targets for this indicator.						FFY 2007 Data	FFY 2008 Data	FFY 2008 Target	Progress	A. Know their rights (%)	77.6	78.6	71	1.00%	B. Effectively communicate their children’s needs (%)	74.6	75.1	71	0.50%	C. Help their children develop and learn. (%)	85.6	86.3	86	0.70%	OSEP appreciates the State’s efforts to improve performance.
	FFY 2007 Data	FFY 2008 Data	FFY 2008 Target	Progress																						
A. Know their rights (%)	77.6	78.6	71	1.00%																						
B. Effectively communicate their children’s needs (%)	74.6	75.1	71	0.50%																						
C. Help their children develop and learn. (%)	85.6	86.3	86	0.70%																						
5. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to national data. [Results Indicator]	The State revised the indicator and measurement language (consistent with revisions in the Indicator Measurement Table) and improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions. The State’s FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 2.31%. These data					OSEP looks forward to the State’s data demonstrating improvement in performance in the FFY 2009 APR.																				

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	represent slippage from the FFY 2007 data of 3.12%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 2.85%.	
<p>6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to national data.</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the indicator and measurement language (consistent with revisions in the Indicator Measurement Table) and improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 6.42%. These data represent slippage from the FFY 2007 data of 6.72%. The State met its FFY 2008 target of 5.85%.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts to improve performance.</p>
<p>7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the measurement language (consistent with revisions in the Indicator Measurement Table) and improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 97.9%. These data represent progress from the FFY 2007 data of 96.6%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that all eight of its findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2007 for this indicator were corrected in a timely manner.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing in the FFY 2009 APR the State's data demonstrating that it is in compliance with the 45-day timeline requirements in 34 CFR §§303.321(e)(2), 303.322(e)(1), and 303.342(a). Because the State reported less than 100% compliance for FFY 2008, the State must report on the status of correction of noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator.</p> <p>When reporting the correction of noncompliance, the State must report, in its FFY 2009 APR, that it has verified that each EIS program with noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator: (1) is correctly implementing 34 CFR §§303.321(e)(2), 303.322(e)(1), and 303.342(a) (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has conducted the initial evaluation, assessment, and IFSP meeting, although late, for any child for whom the 45-day timeline was not met, unless the child is no</p>

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		<p>longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program, consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02. In the FFY 2009 APR, the State must describe the specific actions that were taken to verify the correction.</p> <p>If the State does not report 100% compliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if necessary.</p>
<p>8. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:</p> <p>A. IFSPs with transition steps and services;</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 98.7%. These data represent progress from the FFY 2007 data of 97%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that all three of its findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2007 for this indicator were corrected in a timely manner.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing in the FFY 2009 APR the State's data demonstrating that it is in compliance with the IFSP transition content requirements in 34 CFR §§303.148(b)(4) and 303.344(h). Because the State reported less than 100% compliance for FFY 2008, the State must report on the status of correction of noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator.</p> <p>When reporting the correction of noncompliance, the State must report, in its FFY 2009 APR, that it has verified that each EIS program with noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator: (1) is correctly implementing 34 CFR §§303.148(b)(4) and 303.344(h) (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has developed an IFSP with transition steps and services for each child, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program (i.e., the child has exited the State's Part C program</p>

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		<p>due to age or other reasons), consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02. In the FFY 2009 APR, the State must describe the specific actions that were taken to verify the correction.</p> <p>If the State does not report 100% compliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if necessary.</p>
<p>8. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:</p> <p>B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data, submitted on February 1, 2010, for this indicator were 99.2%. However, the State acknowledged that it did not provide valid and reliable data using the correct measurement for this indicator, because its data were based only on children who had received six months or more of services. In its July 26, 2010 letter submitted as part of its June 14, 2010 determination appeal, the State submitted updated data for Indicator 8B from each of its 58 Early Intervention Programs that reflect the correct measurement for this indicator. Specifically, Massachusetts submitted data on "all IFSP children discharged between January 1, 2009 and March 31, 2009," and identified 272 additional children "discharged and potentially eligible for Part B."</p> <p>The State's revised data FFY 2008 data for this indicator are 99.4%. These data represent progress from the State's FFY 2007 data of 95.5%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported in its FFY 2008 APR submitted on February 1, 2010 that all seven of its findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2007 for this indicator were corrected in a timely manner.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing, in the FFY 2009 APR, the State's data demonstrating that it is in compliance with the LEA notification requirements in 34 CFR §303.148(b)(1). Because the State reported less than 100% compliance for FFY 2008, the State must report on the status of correction of noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator.</p> <p>When reporting the correction of noncompliance, the State must report, in its FFY 2009 APR, that it has verified that each EIS program with noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator: (1) is correctly implementing 34 CFR §303.148(b)(1) (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has provided notification to the LEA for each child, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program (i.e., the child has exited the State's Part C program due to age or other reasons), consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02. In the</p>

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		<p>FFY 2009 APR, the State must describe the specific actions that were taken to verify the correction.</p> <p>If the State does not report 100% compliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if necessary.</p>
<p>8. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:</p> <p>C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised its improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 93.7%. These data represent slippage from the FFY 2007 data of 99.2%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that both of its findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2007 for this indicator were corrected in a timely manner.</p>	<p>The State must demonstrate, in the FFY 2009 APR, that the State is in compliance with the timely transition conference requirements in 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) (as modified by IDEA section 637(a)(9)(A)(ii)(II)). Because the State reported less than 100% compliance for FFY 2008, the State must report on the status of correction of noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator.</p> <p>When reporting the correction of noncompliance, the State must report, in its FFY 2009 APR, that it has verified that each EIS program with noncompliance reflected in the data the State reported for this indicator: (1) is correctly implementing 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) (as modified by IDEA section 637(a)(9)(A)(ii)(II)) (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has conducted a transition conference, although late, for any child potentially eligible for Part B whose transition conference was not timely, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program, consistent</p>

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		<p>with OSEP Memo 09-02. In the FFY 2009 APR, the State must describe the specific actions that were taken to verify the correction.</p> <p>If the State does not report 100% compliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if necessary.</p>
<p>9. General Supervision system (including monitoring complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 97.2%. These data represent slippage from the FFY 2007 data of 100%. The State did not meet its FFY 2008 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that 35 of 36 findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2007 were corrected in a timely manner and that the remaining finding was subsequently corrected by January, 2009.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing in the FFY 2009 APR the State's data demonstrating that the State timely corrected noncompliance identified in FFY 2008 in accordance with IDEA section 635(a)(10)(A), 34 CFR §303.501, and OSEP Memo 09-02.</p> <p>In reporting on correction of noncompliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must report that it verified that each EIS program with noncompliance identified in FFY 2008: (1) is correctly implementing the specific regulatory requirements (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has corrected each individual case of noncompliance, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program, consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02. In the FFY 2009 APR, the State must describe the specific actions that were taken to verify the correction. If the State does not report 100% compliance for this indicator in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must review its improvement</p>

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		<p>activities and revise them, if necessary.</p> <p>In addition, in reporting on Indicator 9 in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must use the Indicator 9 Worksheet.</p> <p>Further, in responding to Indicators 1,7, and 8A, 8B, and 8C in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must report on correction of the noncompliance described in this table under those indicators.</p>
<p>10. Percent of signed written complaints with reports issued that were resolved within 60-day timeline or a timeline extended for exceptional circumstances with respect to a particular complaint.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State reported that it did not receive any signed written complaints during the reporting period.</p>	<p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing the State's data in the FFY 2009 APR.</p>
<p>11. Percent of fully adjudicated due process hearing requests that were fully adjudicated within the applicable timeline.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State reported that it did not receive any requests for due process hearings during the reporting period.</p>	<p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing the State's data in the FFY 2009 APR.</p>
<p>12. Percent of hearing requests that went to resolution sessions that were resolved through resolution session settlement agreements (applicable if Part B due process procedures are adopted).</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>
<p>13. Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements.</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>The State reported that no mediations were held during the reporting period.</p> <p>The State reported fewer than ten mediations held in FFY 2008. The State is not required to provide targets or improvement activities except in any fiscal</p>	<p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing the State's data in the FFY 2009 APR.</p>

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	year in which ten or more mediations were held.	
<p>14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2008 reported data for this indicator are 100%. However, OSEP's calculation of the data for this indicator is 96.9%. These data represent slippage from the FFY 2007 data of 100%.</p>	<p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing in the FFY 2009 APR the State's data demonstrating that it is in compliance with the timely and accurate data reporting requirements in IDEA sections 616, 618, and 642 and 34 CFR §§76.720 and 303.540. If the State does not report 100% compliance in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if necessary.</p> <p>In reporting on Indicator 14 in the FFY 2009 APR, the State must use the Indicator 14 Data Rubric.</p>